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Students examine social issues that could be leading to another civil right movement at panel in Booth Library Tuesday.

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TRAE COOL

Junior forward Trae Anderson joins the Eastern men’s basketball team for the 2014 season, as one of three new players on the Panthers’ roster.

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NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN

Rankin wins over Vourdrie in election

By Margaret Langevin Staff Reporter | @DEN_News

James Rankin, the republican candidate, defeated Gregory Voudrie, the democratic candidate, in the Coles County Sheriffs race Tuesday by 14 percent of votes.

Rankin won by a vote of 57 percent or 8,450 votes to 43 percent or 6,321 votes. These are the unofficial numbers.

Vote totals were not available as of press time.

Rankin said he is going to get right to work.

He said he is aware Eastern is battling low enrollment and he wants to change that by making Coles County a safer place to live.

One of his goals is to help draw more students to the campus by creating a safer campus environment, he said.

“I would like to hopefully be part of getting students back in to Coles County,” Rankin said. “I, for one, think nursing program or the law enforcement transition from a two-year university would be great for our communities. Those are very successful to get a four-year degree.”

Other than drawing a larger student population, Rankin said for the next four years, he is focusing on making Coles County a safer place to live in, as well as a place families would want to live in.

Rankin said he believes he was chosen as sheriff because people are ready for a change.

People are tired of dirty politics, he said. The people of Coles County want someone who will lead by example and have fun while doing it.

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Sheriff-elect James Rankin speaks with his supporters after his win over Democratic candidate Greg Voudrie in the Unique Suites Hotel on Tuesday. As sheriff, Rankin hopes to take measures that help increase the enrollment at Eastern.

Rauner elected Illinois Governor

By Stephanie Markham News Editor | @stephm202

Editor’s note: As of press time, the official results had not been released, and when The Daily Eastern News sent the paper, the totals reflected that Bruce Rauner had won over Pat Quinn.

Republican businessman Bruce Rauner won the election for governor of Illinois Tuesday, stealing the seat from Democrat incumbent Pat Quinn.

Vote tabulations revealed Rauner took the lead by almost 5 percent over Quinn, and Libertarian challenger Chad Grimm garnered 3.4 percent of the total votes, as of press time.

However, Quinn has not conceded that he lost the election as of press time; The Daily Eastern News will provide an update when the counts are finalized on dailyeasternnews.com.

Rauner, the 57-year-old chair of a self-financed venture firm, is now in his first government position after retiring from a private equity firm in 2012.

Quinn had taken over the position in 2009 after former Gov. Rod Blagojevich was impeached, and he was elected to his first official term during the last midterm election in 2010.

Some of Rauner’s goals include eliminating income tax increases from the Quinn administration, reforming the pension system, and redistributing funding for education.

Ryan Woods, the president of the EIU College Democrats, said he does not predict much legislative change based on the results of the election.

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Durbin wins re-election

By Bob Galuski Editor-in-Chief | @BobGaluski

Illinois Sen. Dick Durbin edged out Republican state Sen. Jim Oberweis to secure a fourth term in the Senate Tuesday.

Vote totals were not available as of press time.

Durbin has served in the U.S. House from 1983 to 1997 and in the U.S. Senate from 1997 to 2014.

Durbin visited Eastern in September to promote a new bill to help curb student debt. During the presentation, he stated 1.7 million



DICK DURBIN

people in Illinois have a collective total of \$47 billion in student loan debt.

Durbin went head-to-head against conservative Oberweis, where one of the few points they agreed on was the Illinois medical marijuana pilot program, with both politicians calling it a positive for Illinois.

Durbin and Oberweis, however, squared off against social issues, such as gun control, abortion rights and marriage equality.

The liberal Democrat opposed gun laws in Illinois, and advocated for background checks for those buying guns.

Durbin, who is the No. 2 Democrat in the Senate, is also on the side of pro-abortion rights.

He also backed the marriage equality law passed in Illinois last year, and has supported gay rights.

With his latest victory, Durbin will have six more years as senator.

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General Election Results 2014

All results based on voting totals reported as of press time.

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Lisa Madigan - Democratic

Secretary of State

Jesse White - Democratic

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John M. Shimkus - Republican

State Representative - 110th District

Reggie Phillips - Republican

County Treasurer

George E. Edwards - Republican

Regional Superintendent of Schools

Bobbi Mattingly - Republican

County Board, District 3

Marc J. Weber - Republican

County Board, District 6

Paul Daly - Republican

County Board, District 7

Nancy Purdy - Republican

County Board, District 9

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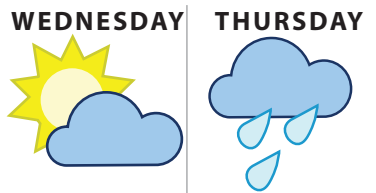
County Board, District 10

Stan Metzger - Republican

Appellate Court Judge, 4th District

Lisa Holder White - Republican

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Chris Kesler, a junior theatre arts major, opens a can of white paint that will be used to paint a wagon for the play Carnival.

Theatre department celebrates 50 years

By **Samantha Middendorf**
Entertainment Editor | @Samantha_EE

The Theatre department will continue its 50th Anniversary celebration next week with the production of "Carnival."

"Carnival" musically tells the story of Lily, an orphan, and her relationship with a travelling carnival magicians and puppeteers. Lilly falls in love with multiple members of the carnival and loses her happiness in the process.

The show will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 12 until Nov. 15.

The musical will also be performed at 2:30 p.m. Nov. 16. All performances will be in the Theatre of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

It is based off of a short story and film entitled "Lily," released in the '60s.

Jean Wolski, director of the musical, said although the film was not a blockbuster hit, many appreciated it.

The story follows a classic story people who are lost and looking for their place in the world.

"You have these two roles, the puppeteer who is lost because he cannot dance anymore, and you've got this girl who has lost everything because everyone has died," Wolski said. "Then the two of them find each other."

Wolski also said the show is sweet, but also has a dark side.

"It's not a typical musical from the time period when they were

typically about boy meets girl, boy loses girl, boy gets girl back, with lots of numbers of song and dance, a couple of laments, and that's about it," she said.

Each year, Eastern faculty members choose the musical production.

"We were looking for something that the personnel would be able to do both in the theatre department and in the music department," Wolski said. "We wanted a smaller orchestra this year because of some changes in faculty, and you don't want to go in with a huge musical and a big orchestra right away when you have new people coming in."

For Timothy Renner, a music professor, "Carnival" will be his

first musical production at Eastern. Renner is the musical director for the musical.

Christina Peters, a freshman music major, and Alex Trocanno, an Eastern graduate, will portray the main characters.

Wolski said the production consists of 17 characters.

Tickets for "Carnival" are \$12 for the general audience, \$10 for Eastern employees and seniors and \$5 for students. Tickets can be purchased at the Doudna Box Office.

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Students to embrace inner celebrities in lip-synching contest

By **Samantha Middendorf**
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The country's most popular musicians will be making a one-night only appearance at 7th St. Underground for the first lip-synching event titled "Vegas" Nov. 12.

Vegas will take place at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 12 at 7th St. Underground in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. The event is free of charge.

Tylen Elliott, UB Mainstage coordinator, said performers who have auditioned will be impersonating celebrities, singers and dancers, living or dead.

Those that perform will have the chance to receive prizes if their impression of a popular celebrity impresses the judges and audience.

"They will be judged on different categories such as costume and impersonation," Elliott said.

The winner of the competition will receive a \$300 grand prize.

Elliott said creating the event from scratch has caused him to face

some challenges.

"It's been a busy process, but it's been a lot of fun to use a lot of creativity to come up with this event."

Elliott was inspired by family memories to produce the new lip-synching contest.

"My family and I used to go to a show back home that would be put on every year where people would impersonate celebrities," Elliott said. "It was like a concert, but they were all just impersonations."

Elliott noted he has seen students appear to be excited for the new event.

"I've gotten a lot of interest in the event, so I'm very happy about it," Elliott said. "We've gotten a lot of feedback about the cutouts in the dining halls and the food court, and people will take pictures with them."

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Senate seeks CSU board to be dissolved

By **Jarad Jarmon**
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The Faculty Senate approved their letter to Governor Pat Quinn supporting the recently dissolved Chicago State University Faculty Senate at their meeting Tuesday.

In the letter, the senate states they do not agree with the Chicago State University Board of Trustees in their decision to dissolve their faculty senate.

The senate agreed their actions were unwarranted; they called upon Quinn to dissolve the board.

The need to support Chicago State's faculty senate came up after it was dissolved after disagreements between their vice president of academic affairs over her credentials.

Along with Eastern, the University of Illinois in Chicago as well as Urbana-Champaign has sent letters in support of dissolving the school's board for the way in which their actions had been taken.

No information has been released as to when the letter will be sent out.

The senate also appointed Ste-

ven Scher, a psychology professor, as the faculty senate representative on the Enrollment Management Advisory Committee.

The committee works to advise the administration on directions to take or ideas to pursue to boost enrollment.

They also approved a slate of candidates for several councils and committees within the senate.

While faculty took interest in most of the positions available, some spots were still open on the Council on Teacher Education and the University Personnel Committee.

Grant Sterling, a philosophy professor, said he was disappointed by the open positions.

The senate will meet again at 2 p.m. Nov. 18 in Room 4440 in Booth Library.

Bobby Galuski contributed to the reporting for this article.

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Students question new civil rights movement

By **Coraima Vazquez**
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Students examined social issues that could be leading to another civil rights movement during a panel Tuesday in Booth Library.

Felix Kumah-Abiwu, professor of Africana studies, facilitated the panel for students in his class to present the issues.

Brandon Byers, an applied engineering and technology major, said segregation is in the United States' recent past, and it still occurs in some parts of the world.

Byers also said recent instances such as the protests in Ferguson have been discouraging young African-American from continuing with their education because they do not think it will matter.

Bria Caldwell, the vice president of NAACP at Eastern, commented on political issues in the black community.

"After our actual president's election, the Democrats and the

African-American community proved that they can sway an election," she said.

The students also showed statistics illustrating that African-American and Hispanic people face poverty and make up the majority of the population in jail.

Nyah Lane, a psychology major, asked Kumah-Abiwu if he thought people would take away that it is black people's fault they face poverty from the presentation.

He responded that black people have to play their role in uplifting their communities just as any other would.

Aaron Carter, a family and consumer sciences major, showed pictures from 50 years ago when bathrooms and water fountains were divided and classified for black people and white people.

"Embrace the past and learn from the past," Kumah-Abiwu said.

Taneja Shaw, a sophomore marketing major, said she enjoyed the



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Dr. Felix Kumah-Abiwu answers students questions about the Civil Rights Movement Tuesday during the Revisiting the Civil Rights Moment of the 1960's event at Mary J. Booth Library.

discussion.

"It was a great opportunity to discuss about what was going on in the world, educational and race wise," Shaw said. "I liked the way everything was broken up in sections explaining the impacts of social movement."

Kumah-Abiwu invited the audi-

ence to join the Conversation for Social Movement, a group of students and community members that focuses on social issues.

Kumah-Abiwu said everyone in the nation has a role to play when addressing the challenges minorities face.

"What happened in Ferguson

was really unfortunate, and there is still a majority of African-American who are facing these challenges," he said. "We cannot leave the society that are struggling alone."

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City puts temporary hold on Greek housing permits

By **Amanda Wilkinson**
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The Charleston City Council approved a six-month moratorium on issuing permits for rooming or boarding houses Tuesday.

A six-month moratorium on the issuing of permits means permits will not be issued for the erection and construction of rooming or boarding houses for six months.

Scott Smith, the city manager, said rooming or boarding houses includes Greek housing.

The council reviews the codes every year and the moratorium gives them a chance to do that, he said.

"Basically in the six-month window of time, council, (the Board of Zoning, Appeals, and Planning), will have a chance to review the existing code, compare it to other university communities and discuss if there needs to be any changes," Smith said. "There have been some questions posed, this gives them time."

Mayor Larry Rennels said

rooming or boarding houses would house 12 people at most to live in them.

"It's time to see where it is appropriate for those kinds of structures to be, where other university towns have placed those structures," Rennels said. "Let the public weigh on it."

The temporary moratorium will expire on May 5.

The council also approved the acquisition of eight parcels of land along 20th Street for the completion of the sidewalk.

"There were eight parcels that we need of three-foot wide strip of land along the street in order to make room for the sidewalk," Rennels said.

The total cost of the acquisition is \$3,419.

Additionally, the council approved the extension of insurance services with Dimond Bros. Insurance Agency, Inc. until Oct. 1, 2017.

The extensions will allow Dimond Bros. Insurance Agency, Inc. to continue to place proper-

ty, casualty and worker's compensation coverage and to administer an insurance program.

The Charleston City Council will meet again at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 18 in the council chambers of City Hall.

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Hit-and-run damages electrical equipment

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The University Police Department is seeking the driver from a hit-an-run incident reported Friday involving electrical equipment near O'Brien Stadium.

A vehicle, believed to be a

Chrysler or Dodge minivan, struck an electrical supply unit and left the scene, according to a UPD press release.

The equipment, located near the southwest corner of the parking lot west of the stadium, was extensively damaged, according to the press release.

The vehicle sustained damage

to the passenger and driver sides, and both side-view mirrors were torn off, according to the press release.

Police are asking anyone with information on the driver or the vehicle to contact Detective Kent Martin at 217-581-3212, Crime Stoppers at 866-345-8488 or text "crimeleads" to 274637.

Coles County Crime Stoppers pays up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest or conviction of criminals in the county.

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CORRECTION

In Tuesday's issue of *The Daily Eastern News* in the article, "War on Poverty" lecture enlightens students."

The date should have read Thursday. The article should have also stated programs for women and children were secondary.

The characterization and description of the War on Poverty as a medical program for the elderly, or only for women and children were also incorrect.

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Talking 'Bout a Revolution: Scientific Research Developments in the 1960s | 4 PM
Part of Booth Library's fall program and exhibit series; all events are free and open to the public

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Stephanie Markham

Helping animals isn’t as hard as you’d think

When people realize that it’s been almost two years since I’ve eaten meat, cheese, milk or eggs, the first thing they usually say is “Wow, I could never do that.”

You know what I could never do? I could never be a dairy cow.

I could never be kept constantly pregnant in order to produce more milk than is natural or healthy, not a drop of which will go to my baby, who will be taken away from me after its birth and eventually share my fate if it is female or be slaughtered in infancy if it is male.

That’s something I could never do. Another expression I often hear is that people are afraid to offend me by eating meat in front of me.

My response is always the same—don’t apologize to me, apologize to the animals; they are the ones suffering when consumers support factory farms.

However, I won’t preach at you or condemn you for eating meat; that’s not my style.

When I first started researching animal rights and issues, I was surprised at how many influential people practiced vegetarianism or veganism.

Paul McCartney has made appearances in PETA videos saying that if slaughterhouses had glass walls, everyone would be vegetarian.

Geezer Butler, bass player for Black Sabbath, is vegan, Ellen and Portia, Bill Clinton—and they all seem to have their lives together.

That’s why I feel leading by example is the best way to make a difference.

Though, I wish I were more of an anarchist, because the Animal Liberation Front sounds pretty damn cool.

People should give more consideration before saying they could “never” do something.

I think people respond that way is because a vegan diet is so dramatically different than what they grew up seeing and believing was the normal way to eat.

Transitioning from always seeing vegetables as a side dish, if they make it onto the plate at all, to vegetables being the main course, is quite a shift.

But it’s a doable shift. My tastes have changed a lot; I went from Googling pictures of pizza when I was hungry late at night to craving fresh fruits and vegetables.

People assume that helping animals is an all-or-nothing deal. While I personally found I could give up all animal products easily, I know not everyone will.

Not eating meat for one day out of the week helps. Choosing the vegetarian option on the menu once in a while helps. Buying from a local farmer instead of a sadistic, monopolistic corporation helps.

If we can agree that minimizing animal suffering is our goal, then do what you can. You may be surprised at how it works out.

Even if you proudly proclaim yourself a carnivore until the day you die, you can at least take a few extra minutes to find cosmetics and soap that haven’t been tested on animals.

We don’t need to rub chemicals in the eyes of helpless bunnies so you can look and smell pretty.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Poverty and hunger aren’t going anywhere

This Thursday, members of the Eastern and Charleston community will convene for a lecture on poverty in America, with the focus primarily centering on implementing strategies to curb the issue.

Michael Gillespie, a professor of sociology and anthropology who has researched extensively poverty and food insecurity issues in the Coles County region, will facilitate the discussion.

Ahead of that meeting, our staff feels it necessary to stress how important these issues are, especially in the community that Eastern students call home.

It’s not often we actively promote a university event, and for good reason—the very nature of our publication requires objectivity, and we prefer to err on the side of caution. However, over the years, many of us have covered these issues—have seen, first hand, just how endemic poverty is in the Charleston area—and it’s therefore pretty close to our hearts.

So often, it’s easy to view issues like poverty in the abstract—to try and quantify in numbers or statistics what, exactly, poverty and hunger look like. But no graphs, no charts, no tables can truly convey what it feels like for the 40 percent of Coles County residents for whom food insecurity is a very real and crippling problem, day in and day out.

No editorial or column does justice to the 12 percent of Coles

County families who live under the poverty line. Like most truly sad-denying issues, words simply don’t suffice. One has to see it firsthand.

That isn’t to say tomorrow’s lecture series will necessarily startle one to action. But it’s still a good place to start. After all, helping those in need doesn’t necessitate jumping in feet-first—even simply realizing there’s a problem is a step (albeit small) in the right direction.

Many of our staff has reported in the past on the good that’s come from groups headed by Gillespie. Last year, those groups helped bring awareness to overwhelming hunger issues in Coles County by pledging to live on food stamps for a week. They’ve continually spearheaded campaigns to help in the Charleston area, and have been a consistent source of community service all around the county.

With that in mind, we’d like to challenge Eastern students to not only attend the lecture, but make a concerted effort in the future to not only be aware, of but be a force against, poverty in America. Because it’s not going anywhere otherwise.

The event will be held tomorrow at 7 p.m. in Booth Library Room 4440.

The daily editorial is the majority opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Travel bans a disproportionate response to Ebola

A national fear of Ebola has prompted the quarantine of those who pose the threat of spreading the virus after traveling, specifically targeting those who have had “high risk contact” with infected patients.

These quarantines seem more political than medical, requiring that travelers at high risk abide by a 21-day quarantine in their homes with regular medical checkups.

The Illinois Department of Public Health defined high-risk contact as direct physical contact with blood or bodily fluids of Ebola patients and victims.

This means that in order to contract Ebola, someone must come in direct contact with one of the above bodily fluids while it is being secreted from broken skin or a mucous membrane.

While the confining of these individuals may be comforting in theory and may sound like a responsible and non-invasive request, the Centers for Disease Control even expressed that the quarantines were likely unnecessary and encouraged voluntary home stays instead.

Some political candidates, however, have gone so far as to support a travel ban applied to countries in West Africa.

The low-odds of contracting Ebola, which were confirmed by both the IDPH and CDC, emphasize the likelihood that candidates are merely playing on citizens’



Katie Smith

fear of the infection, even encouraging that fear, as an opportunity for campaign material.

Currently, the CDC has established guidelines to categorize travelers into four levels risk: high, some, low, and unidentified.

Most healthcare workers returning from Africa are considered “some risk,” while those treating Ebola patients in the U.S. are considered to be at “low but not zero” risk.

The likelihood that a person passing through an airport will come in contact with the fluids necessary to transmit the virus are so blatantly low that Americans need not fear catching it.

The quarantine of healthcare workers returning from places like Liberia, Guinea, and Sierra Leone even feels unnecessary since the virus is not airborne.

A recent quarantine resulted in a lawsuit between the state of Maine and a nurse who

returned to the states after treating patients in Sierra Leone.

The nurse, Kaci Hickox, was quarantined in a tent outside a New Jersey hospital despite showing no symptoms of the virus.

Although Pat Quinn assures Illinois residents they will not undergo the same humiliation, our irrational fear of being diagnosed with Ebola remains ignorant.

The people who travel to these countries are heroic and selfless in their efforts. Rather than welcoming them back to their homes, we have confined them there, and publicly enforced a fear of these individuals.

Within one week of the enforcement of these screenings, less than five known travelers from Ebola-affected areas were reported in Illinois.

Numbers so low should be a comfort to anyone afraid of contracting the virus, but they are also indicative of our tendency to become hysterical over real concerns blown out of proportion for strictly political reasons.

While law-enforced quarantines may seem like an extreme effort, a travel ban with so weak a scientific basis is irrational and hardly worth considering at this time.

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KATIE SMITH | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Colby Gerth, a sophomore biological sciences major and member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity holds out a door decoration he made with other members of SAE. The Fraternity is sponsoring the the Arcola Elementary Girls on the Run team, and made the decorations to hand out to each runner to show their support.

Girls on the Run host 5K

By Amanda Wilkinson
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Running a 5K or 3.1 miles is just a small part of what the girls in the Girls on the Run program accomplish in 10 weeks.

Girls on the Run of East Central Illinois will be hosting its fall 5K at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Mattoon Area Family YMCA.

Beth Gillespie, the East Central council director, said running is actually only a portion of the program.

“Girls on the Run is an after-school, education and empowerment program for girls in the third to fifth and sixth to eighth grades,” Gillespie said.

The girls will meet twice a week over the course of a 10-week season.

“They talk about topics that include health, fitness, how women are portrayed in the media, how to still have a positive body image,” Gillespie said. “We talked about celebrating gratitude, getting plugged into your true values, the impacts of gossip, how to deal with bullies and how to make a difference in their community.”

At the end of the meeting, the girls train for the 5K.

“We want the girls to know what it’s

like to set a goal that feels like a big one,” Gillespie said. “They think ‘If I can do this, I can do anything I set my mind to’ which is really critical for all women and all people but especially for young girls today.”

The program has completed seven seasons in the span of three years.

Gillespie said they have had more than 1,300 girls locally participate in the program in the three years and currently have more than 300 girls joining them for the 5K.

The change she sees most in the girls is their confidence level, she said.

“The girls are willing to try other activities. Their behavior changes at school. They’re taking the methods on how to deal with bullies and challenging situations in their lives,” Gillespie said. “We’re hearing that they’re teaching those same methods to the other girls that are in their friend circle.”

Gillespie said the most astounding difference she saw was in a girl that hid behind her hair and was very soft spoken when she started the program three seasons ago.

“When I saw her for the first time this season, she was dancing and singing by herself in front of the entire group,” she said. “It gives me chills to know that we’ve

had a small part of that process for her.”

Everyone at Girls at the Run including the girls, their families and the coaches are excited for the 5K run.

More than 700 volunteers from Eastern will be lining the course.

“I mean, imagine if you are eight years old and you’ve been training for 10 weeks for this event and all of a sudden, there are 700 volunteers cheering for you saying, ‘You can do it! We believe in you! We came out here just to help you get to that finish line!’ It is such a powerful event,” Gillespie said.

She said the run is not just about the girls, however.

“The things that the girls love the most is ‘Happy Hair’ where you get colored, glittery hairspray,” Gillespie said.

Face painting and family activities such as bounce houses will be available to the public as well.

Preregistration is \$20 until Friday and is available on the Girls on the Run website or at the YMCA. Day-of registration is \$25. Packet pickup and registration start at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday. The opening ceremony will begin at 8:45 a.m. The celebration will be from 9 to 11 a.m.

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Rankin said one thing he is going to change while he is sheriff is the booking process and in-and-out process. He also said he is going to itemize things and work on making changes one at a time, not all at once to make everything better.

“I’m going to have an open door policy. I’m excited to have new and great ideas come to the sheriff department and make it successful,” he said.

Rankin said his supporters have been outstanding appreciates everything everyone has done for his campaign.

Rankin said he appreciates all of his supporters have done during the campaign whether it was for his parade to knocking on doors.

This was Rankin’s first time running for the Coles County Sheriff position. He is a United States Army Airborne Veteran. Rankin has served as a patrol officer since 2004, a Coles County courthouse

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-James Rankin, newly elected Coles County Sheriff

security officer, a member of the Coles County Crisis Response Team and the CRT hostage negotiator and training coordinator.

Incumbent Darrell Cox chose not to seek re-election this year.

Rankin and his supporters celebrated at U-Hotel last night.

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“Unless something drastic happens, it looks like the general assembly will have to keep its super majority, so legislation will still be going through,” Woods said.

He expressed, though, that he is concerned about the direction Rauner will go with Illinois’ budget.

“Rauner will have the ability to direct funds and sort of hold up funding, so we may not have a budget for a while,” Woods said. “It probably isn’t very good for business in Illinois either.”

Zach Yeakel, the president of the EIU College Republicans, said he is hopeful based on the election results.

“I really believe that Rauner will be able to do the things he said he would do and work in a bipartisan matter to get things done and turn our state around — starting with our economy, schools and spending to get the pension system in order,” Yeakel said.

He said the election results not only send a message to Chi-

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-Zach Yeakel, EIU College Republicans President

cago that Illinois’ political system is bigger than Cook County, but it also sends a message that where the legislation is now is unacceptable.

“Evidently, the people have spoken,” he said.

Yeakel also said he hopes Rauner’s leadership will combat the problem of so many people moving out of Illinois.

“Hopefully this will make our state a better place to live and a better environment,” he said.

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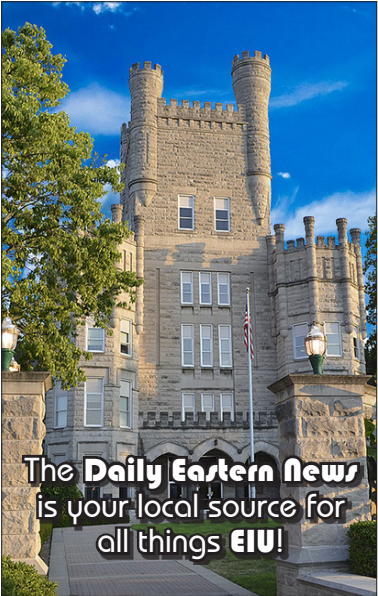
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Panthers path to tourney heats up

By **Blake Nash**
Staff Reporter | @Banash5

Only four games remain on the Eastern volleyball team's schedule and all of them will affect whether or not the Panthers' season will continue at the Ohio Valley Conference tournament.

Eastern is currently eighth in the 12-team conference, with an overall record of 11-14 and 5-7 in OVC play, and if the standings remain the same the rest of the way, the Panthers will make the OVC tournament, since conference rules dictate that only the top eight teams are eligible to compete for the championship.

However, the Panthers lead over the bottom four teams in the conference is anything but comfortable.

Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, which the Panthers will play on the road next week, is exactly one game behind the Panthers in the standings, with an OVC record of 4-8. In fact three of the Panthers' next four opponents are in the bottom four, including Southern,

Morehead State and Tennessee State.

Eastern Kentucky (19-11, 9-3) remains the lone team left on the schedule with a winning record. That matchup will take place 6 p.m. Friday at Lantz Arena.

With a win or two this weekend, Eastern will be in good shape, heading into their final road trip. Closing out the regular season with three wins would ensure the Panthers a postseason trip.

However, two wins could still be enough, and could even move Eastern into a higher seed in the tournament, if Southeast Missouri and Tennessee Tech, two teams only one game ahead of the Panthers, were to struggle over the next two weeks.

Eastern also has two and three game leads over Tennessee State and Morehead State, respectively.

Racers sweep through weekend competition

Murray State's weekend victories over Jacksonville State and Tennessee Tech enabled the Racers to capture the school's



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Red-shirt senior defensive specialist Kelsey Brooke and freshman outside hitter Maria Brown go for the dig during a match against Southeast Missouri on Friday in Lantz Arena. The Panthers lost to the Redhawks 3-2. The Panthers beat Tennessee-Martin on Saturday 3-0 to improve to 5-7 in the OVC and 11-14 overall.

Junior outside hitter Taylor Olden was named the OVC offensive player of the week, while junior setter Sam Bedard was named the setter of the week.

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Panthers fall in overtime to Edwardsville


By Mark Shanahan
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It took two overtimes, but Southern Illinois-Edwardsville was able to go on the road and defeat Eastern 4-3.

Eastern falls to 3-12-1 on the year, while Southern Illinois-Edwardsville improves to 5-7-4 this season.



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Southern Illinois-Edwardsville answered in the 22nd with Brett Lane's first goal of the game. Christian Volesky sent Lane the pass that he was able to header in and was given the assist. Justin Oliver for Eastern gave them the lead going into halftime when he scored in the 39th minute. He was sent a breakaway pass from Brillhart who was given the assist.

Lane scored his second goal for Southern Illinois-Edwardsville in the 58th minute when he was able to header in a goal off a corner kick from Justin Bilyeu. Southern Illinois-Edwardsville scored again 10 minutes later in the 68th minute with a goal from Travis Hoguet who flicked it over the goalkeeper with an assist from Drew Merideth.

Trailing by one with just six minutes remaining, Victor Kroggman was able to find the equalizer for Eastern. His goal was a one-touch kick past the keeper and Butler and Zach Medawattage assisted it.

This was Krogmann's second goal of the season.

Eastern head coach Mark Hansen said that Eastern was very resilient in going up twice and then trailing and able to still tie it up in the final minutes of the game.

The game winner for Southern Illinois-Edwardsville came in the second half of overtime from Sean Baumann. His goal came from a deflection off the goalie that he sent back in for the win. The first shot and the assist came from Paul Scheipeter.

Hansen liked his team's resiliency against a good Southern Illinois-Edwardsville team.

"The overall record doesn't show how good of a side they are," he said. "For us to put three on them is something for us to hang our hats on."

Brillhart now has team high five goals and four assist for Eastern. Recca improved his assist total to three assist, which is tied for second best on the team. Butler with his two assists today, now also has three assists this season. Medawattage record his first point of the year with an assist today.

Freshman goalkeeper Mike Novotny started for Eastern and made six saves and gave up four goals. Four goals given up is a career high for Novotny. Southern Illinois-Edwardsville outshot Eastern 12-6 in the game. Kent Kobrus was in net for Southern Illinois-Edwardsville and he faced six shots, giving up three goals and making three saves.

This was the last home game for seniors Jake Brillhart, Spencer Filosa, Will Butler, Chris Boswell, and Colin Rook who did not play this season. Eastern plays their season finale on the road against Oral Roberts on Saturday night with conference tournament hopes on the line.

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Senior forward Tayron Martin moves the ball up the pitch during the Panthers' 4-3 extra time loss to Southern Illinois-Edwardsville on Tuesday at Lakeside Field.

Murray State brings conference's top passing offense

By Aldo Soto
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The Murray State football team might only be 3-6 overall, with a 1-4 Ohio Valley Conference record, but if the Racers are known for one thing this season it is scoring.

Chris Hatcher's offense has the highest point total in the OVC, averaging 38.2 points per game overall, as the coach is in the middle of his fifth season with Murray State.

The Racers have scored at least 21 points in seven of their nine games, while red-shirt sophomore quarterback KD Humphries leads the conference with 19 passing touchdowns overall and 14 in OVC play.

Despite a loss on Saturday at home against Tennessee-Martin, Murray State was still able to score 38 points in the defeat, with Humphries throwing five touchdown passes.

Eastern linebacker Kamu Grugier-Hill said the Racers' offense would present a good challenge for the Panthers' No. 2 ranked defense in the OVC, with kickoff against Murray State starting at noon Saturday at O'Brien Field.

"They have a really good offense," Grugier-Hill said. "This will be a good test for us."

The Panthers' defensive unit has only allowed two touchdowns in Eastern's current three-game winning streak that has it at 4-1 in the OVC.

Murray State has the No. 1 passing offense in conference play, averaging 331.8 yards per game. Unlike Eastern's offense, which is run-oriented, averaging 322.6 rushing yards per game in the OVC, the Racers

rank No. 7, with 123.6 rushing yards against OVC teams.

Although the Panthers have the No. 3 pass defense in the conference, Grugier-Hill said it could get better.

"Our run defense is great and our pass defense we need to tighten it up a little bit," he said. "In the beginning of the year we got some bombs on us, but this will be a good test. They're going to throw the ball a lot."

Murray State has run the ball 157 times in its five conference games, the fewest rushing attempts in the OVC. Humphries has the most pass attempts in OVC play with 243, and he is only one of two quarterbacks with more than 200 passes, as Tennessee State has the second most with 213.

The Murray State quarterback has thrown six interceptions this season. He will be facing Eastern's defense that has 13 interceptions this year that is second most behind Eastern Kentucky's 14 in the OVC.

"The takeaways, the turnovers and interceptions should be a high number this game that's our goal," Grugier-Hill said.

The junior linebacker is coming off a 19-tackle performance at Tennessee Tech, where he also forced a fumble and recorded his third interception this year.

Although Humphries does not present the running threat that other quarterbacks have against Eastern, he has shown the ability to run, scoring five rushing touchdowns, while running for 180 yards on 64 carries this season.

The Panthers' defense is allowing 139.8 rushing yards per game in the OVC this season that is the second



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Junior quarterback Jalen Whitlow runs the ball down the field during the Panthers' homecoming game against Tennessee State on Oct. 25 at O'Brien Field. The Panthers beat the Tigers 28-3.

fewest in the conference. Against Tennessee Tech, Darian Stone was only able to rush for 34 yards on 24 carries, as the quarterback had his second lowest average per carry this season.

Although Humphries has done most of his damage through the air in conference play, Eastern's defense is still ready for the quarterback to run.

"A dual-threat quarterback is going to make plays, they're going to scramble out and the biggest thing is you can't come out of coverage because if they scramble out and you think they're going to run they'll dump a



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20-yard pass right over you," Grugier-Hill said. "Let them get the five yards running and we just have to rally up to the short stuff."

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Trae Anderson, a junior guard/forward for the Eastern men's basketball team, is a transfer from Southwestern Illinois College. Anderson said he's looking to take on a scoring role for the Panthers this season. The Eastern men's basketball team's first exhibition game against University of Saint Francis will be Monday, Nov. 10.

TRAE IN TRANSITION

Transfer tries to find new role at Eastern

By Jehad Abbed
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The second practice with the Eastern men's basketball team is when junior forward Trae Anderson first noticed a difference after making the jump from junior college to a Division I program.

"My body was tearing down on me," Anderson said, "It's a little tough, but I can get used to it fast."

Anderson has no doubt in his mind about his preparation and readiness to succeed at a high level with the Panthers. He is one of Eastern's newest additions to the team as well as being one

of three Southwestern Illinois College products to suit up this season.

Seniors Dylan Chatman and Mat Piotrowski transferred from Southwestern beforehand, where they established a relationship with Anderson. He said they let him know all about the team and the type of atmosphere he would be coming into at a program like Eastern.

"I felt like Eastern was the right choice for me," he said.

Anderson was in contact with Jacksonville State and other Division II programs, while making a decision on the right school. Anderson said that he was connected with a former assistant

coach for Eastern at this time and that Chatman and Piotrowski definitely affected the decision.

The Southwestern transfers come from a program ran by a hall of fame coach in Jay Harrington. Anderson said that he enjoys the coaching style of Jay Spoonhour here at eastern.

"I'm not going to say that (Spoonhour) is a lot easier, but coach Harrington is definitely the more crazy one by far," Anderson said.

He cited Harrington's radical approach to coaching as a big reason for being so prepared to take the step into a higher level of competition.

The Panthers' strategy plays into

Anderson's strengths on the court. He said he gets most of his points off of fast breaks and Spoonhour has introduced a more up-tempo style of play.

"I like fast break games," he said, "That's what we are doing here and I like it."

Anderson will be looked as one of the players to score for Eastern this season. The Panthers lost their leading scorer from last year in Sherman Blandford. The former starting forward averaged 14.5 points per game last year.

Spoonhour could possibly be looking for Anderson to help fill that void. He said the coaches want him to take on a big scoring load for the Panthers.

"We need another strong offensive player," Anderson said, "I feel like I could bring that to the table here."

Anderson exudes nothing but confidence in himself and his team. He openly expressed his ambitions for OVC All-Conference honors. Coming off an 11-19 record in the 2013-2014 season, he said he sees the team completely flipping the numbers this year.

"I feel like we could do it with this team too," he said, "We've got all the right pieces."

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Experience, depth brings new look to Panthers

By Anthony Catezone
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The Eastern men's basketball team will operate as fast as it possibly can this season.

That was the goal last season, before inexperience, turnovers and desperate play-making mistakes all interrupted that goal.

"You always go as fast as you can go," coach Jay Spoonhour said. "If we make poor plays, we need to slow down and hang on to the ball."

This year, inexperience is essentially nonexistent. The Panthers return 11 players from last season's No. 7 seed team in the Ohio Valley Conference

tournament.

Turnovers and desperate play making, however, are yet to be weeded out completely, but Spoonhour is optimistic, if his first two seasons as the men's basketball coach are any indication.

"There are more good plays and fewer bad plays than what was being made at this time last year," Spoonhour said.

Last year was second installment in the Spoonhour era at Eastern. The Panthers produced back-to-back 11-win seasons and back-to-back first round losses to Southeast Missouri in the conference tournament.

And while last year the Panthers tried to speed up their play, the turnovers halted any such attempt.

"A lot of the mistakes were guys trying to do too much, forcing plays that just weren't there," Spoonhour said.

But this year has brought a more mature team to Lantz Arena. Spoonhour said it has been the most talented team he has coached in his three years with the program.

"It's the old 'rising tide lifts all boats,'" Spoonhour said. "Everybody has to play better because they are more good players on the team."

With that being said, Eastern was still picked to finish fifth of six teams in the west division of the OVC.

Though that could be because most of the OVC has yet to get a glimpse of the few new additions the Panthers were able

to recruit in the offseason.

But Spoonhour knows who he has.

For example, freshman guard Cornell Johnston.

"(Johnston) changes the game," Spoonhour said. "He's able to get guys shots — which we haven't been able to do for awhile."

Or junior transfer guard LeTrell 'Snoop' Viser.

"He has really good feel defensively," Spoonhour said. "We're trying to get him to have that feel all the time."

Both open the door for senior guard Reggie Smith, who, for the first time in his collegiate career, is at the same school for consecutive years.

Smith is the Panthers' returning lead-

ing scorer with 13.1 points per game in 2013. Now, Smith is sliding from point guard to shooting guard, where the offense does not have to run through him, rather run with him.

"(Smith) was forced into making plays just because we didn't have many guys that could create," Spoonhour said.

Spoonhour said he is hoping the additions of Johnston and Viser will create plays for Smith.

"It will be nice to take that burden off of (Smith), where he can just think about getting open, taking the plays that come and shooting open shots."

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